A PLACE of REFUGE to Flee to for Safety in a Day of Danger.

This is a day of Danger and of Fear,

Hide now I would if that I knew but where.

E ndeavour then I will a Place to find,

R eady prepared, fitting to my Mind,

E stablish fure and safe from Storm and Wind.

I f such a Place I can but get into, Sure then no harm the Storms to me can do.

S eek therefore now I will for such a place, All Dangers to escape in every Case. F irst then let me enquire if this may be E xpected on the Land, or on the Sea. The Sea is full of dangers, threats and Woe, Tea and the Land is likely to be so.

I f I should sin as I see others do, No Safety surely this would bring me to.

I f I should seek great mens Favour to gain,

E ndeavouring thereby Sasety to obtain,

How far might this unto my sasety tend?

O there are times when they cannot defend!

V ain is the Help of Man if God do frown:

A rmies have sail'd when God on them hath blown,

H ere's none can save if God will cast us down.

A las, then where shall I find such a Place?

Look farther yet, and stay a little space.

On this Occasion then I call'd to mind

Notable things which I in Scripture find.

E ternal Safety there is to be found

A lone in God, whose Strength is firm and sound:

No Impersection is in him at all;

David doth Him his Strength and Fortress call.

Noah was fav'd by Him, whenas the Flood O verthrew Sinners, 'cause they were not good.

When Sodom was destroy'd, he saved Lot:
He will not let his Servants be forgot.
E ven the Lions rage he did restrain,
R egarding Daniel, and he was not slain:
E ver he doth and will the same remain.

E grptians which his Israel did pursue

L ike Lions, yet he them soon overthrew;

S o that his People safe he brought to shoar;

E grptians drown'd, and they saw them no more.

F amine shall not his People make asham'd;
On them he looks, tho they sometimes are blam'd.
Regard he doth their Cryes, and will bestow

Mercies on them, because his Name they know: E very State to them some good shall bring, E ternally his Praises they shall sing.

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